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# Goose Bay

The Freedom to Fly

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International Military  
Training Opportunities

Canada



# Our Mission

To provide world-class training opportunities to foreign militaries.

## THE FREEDOM TO FLY

- spectacular terrain in vast uncontrolled airspace
  - coastal approaches
  - diverse landscapes
- day and night operations

## GOOSE BAY: PROUD HISTORY, STRATEGIC LOCATION

- A major meeting place for NATO aircrew to fly together
- A key transit base for transport and tactical aircraft from Europe and the U.S.
- A centre of excellence for air and land forces training since 1941



## **GOOSE BAY TODAY:** **WORLD-CLASS MILITARY** **TRAINING FACILITIES**

- Environmental management according to ISO 14001 standards
- 9,600-foot and 11,000-foot runways
- alternate landing site for the NASA Space Shuttle

## **THE FLYING TRAINING AREA**

- 130,000 square km (35,000 square miles)
- Ultra-low-level flying training to 100 feet Above Ground Level (AGL)
- High-level airspace to FL 600
- Night Vision Goggles (NVG) operations including NVG intercept training
- 60 target complexes for fighter strike training
- Infrared significant and radar reflective targets
- Chaff and flares
- Supersonic Flight areas
- 27 laser designation-training targets
- Joint air/land/maritime forces training opportunities
- Tactical transport flying and paradrops
- Low-level routes for tactical transport ingress
- All weather Terrain Following Radar (TFR) operations from takeoff to landing





## AIR-TO-GROUND WEAPONS RANGE

- Inert conventional and precision guided (laser) munitions up to 2,000 pounds
- Forward Air Control (FAC) training with a variable target spectrum
- Special Forces training and composite Special Force/Fighter operation



## EXPEDITIONARY FORCES

- Capacity for large-scale exercises
- Availability of air and sea deployment and support
- A tradition of multinational training operations
- Realistic deployment conditions in a variety of terrains

## ENVIRONMENTAL TRAINING

- Arctic winter training and trials
- Summer desert-sand conditions

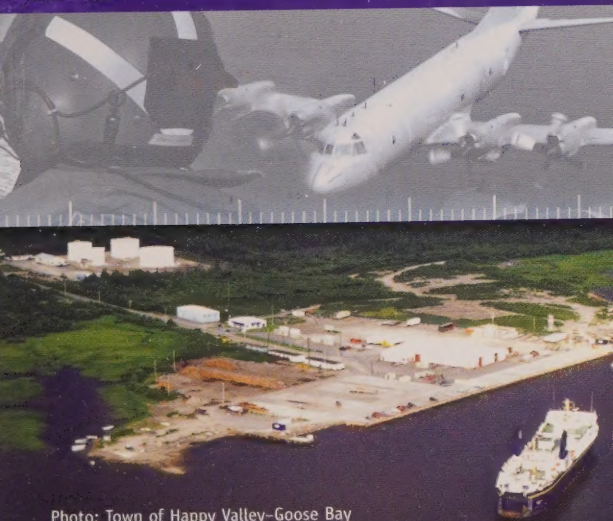


Photo: Town of Happy Valley-Goose Bay

## **SPECIAL FORCES TRAINING**

- Summer and winter training
- Live-fire ranges
- Parachute training
- Mountain flying
- Wilderness survival
- Urban operations
- Working with irregular/indigenous forces

## **OTHER MILITARY TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

- Sniper training in remote, unobserved areas
- Paradrops: personnel and equipment
- Aircrew survival/escape and evasion training
- Combat Search and Rescue (SAR)
- Summer and winter survival training in tundra and boreal forest





## **MISSION SUPPORT FACILITIES**

- Briefing/debriefing facilities for composite air operations
- Hangars for fighter and transport aircraft
- Locally based Combat Support/SAR unit
- Test and evaluation support facilities
- Port access for joint operations training or logistical support



## **EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATIONS, MEALS AND FACILITIES**

- High-quality accommodations for more than 1,000 personnel
- Meals served in the Allied Forces Dining Hall
- Fully equipped fitness centre
- Golf course
- Winter sports opportunities (snowmobiling, skiing)
- Unmatched fishing opportunities
- Medical and dental facilities available

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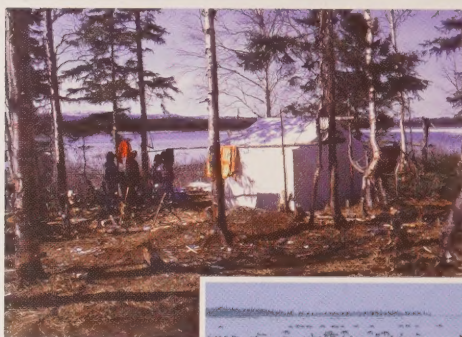
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# THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

## Happy Valley–Goose Bay

- A friendly community, supportive of military training
- Hotels, restaurants, shopping, local Aboriginal crafts
- Wilderness tourism opportunities and outfitters available
- Aboriginal peoples pursue traditional hunting and harvesting throughout the region
- Wildlife species abound

Photo: P. Armitage



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